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SUBJECT: FY-05 FULBRIGHT AMERICAN STUDIES INSTITUTE ON  
"CONTEMPORARY AMERICAN LITERATURE"

REF: SECSTATE 247113

1. THE PUBLIC AFFAIRS SECTION NOMINATES DR. ZYAD GOGAZEH,  
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF MODERN LANGUAGES,  
UNIVERSITY OF JORDAN. DR. GOGAZEH'S BIODATA FOLLOWS:

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

1A. NAME AS IN THE PASSPORT:

FIRST: ZYAD

MIDDLE: MOH'D

FAMILY: GOGAZEH

1B. DATE OF BIRTH (MONTH/DAY/YEAR): 09/17/1971

1C. CITY OF BIRTH: IRBID

1D. COUNTRY OF BIRTH: JORDAN

1E. COUNTRY OF RESIDENCE: JORDAN

F COUNTRY(S) OF CITIZENSHIP: JORDAN

1G. HOME ADDRESS, TELEPHONE AND E-MAIL: TEL: (962-6) 5355511  
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1H. GENDER: MALE

1I. MEDICAL, PHYSICAL, DIETARY OR OTHER PERSONAL  
CONSIDERATIONS: NONE

PROFESSIONAL INFORMATION:

1J. PRESENT POSITION AND TITLE: ASSISTANT PROFESSOR,  
DEPARTMENT OF MODERN LANGUAGES, UNIVERSITY OF JORDAN

1K. CURRENT INSTITUTIONAL AFFILIATION AND COMPLETE ADDRESS:  
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1L. WORK EXPERIENCE, INCLUDING PREVIOUS POSITIONS AND  
TITLES: INSTRUCTOR OF FRENCH AND ARABIC AS A FOREIGN  
LANGUAGE, UNIVERSITY AL AL-BAYT, 1993-1995, JORDAN; DIRECTOR  
OF THE PUBLIC AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, ASSOCIATION OF  
ARABIC UNIVERSITY, 1995-1997, AMMAN, JORDAN; PROFESSIONAL  
INTERPRETER ARABIC - SPANISH AND VICE VERSA, TRIBUNAL OF  
SEVILLE, SPAIN, 1998 - 2002; SECRETARY OF THE CIRCLE OF  
ARABIC STUDIES OF AL-ANDALUS, SEVILLE, SPAIN, 1999.

1M. EDUCATION, ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL TRAINING:

B.A IN MODERN LANGUAGE, UNIVERSITY OF YARMOUK, JORDAN, 1993;  
M.A. IN APPLIED LINGUISTICS, UNIVERSITY OF SEVILLE, SPAIN,  
1998; PH.D., GENERAL LINGUISTICS, UNIVERSITY OF SEVILLE,  
SPAIN, 2002.

1N. ACTIVE PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: MEMBER OF SEVERAL  
EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF JORDAN.

1O. SHORT LIST OF RELEVANT PUBLICATIONS: THE CONTEMPORARY  
ETHNICAL AMERICAN LITERATURE. WROTE THREE ARTICLES IN THE  
FIELD OF CONTRASTIVE LINGUISTICS WRITTEN IN SPANISH.

1P. PREVIOUS TRAVEL AND STUDY OR RESEARCH EXPERIENCE IN THE  
U.S.: NONE

1Q. ENGLISH PROFICIENCY: VERY GOOD

1R. JUSTIFICATION FOR NOMINATION:

DR. GOGAZEH IS AN ASSISTANT PROFESSOR AT THE DEPARTMENT OF  
MODERN LANGUAGES, UNIVERSITY OF JORDAN. HE IS THE VICE DEAN  
FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AT THE FACULTY OF ARTS. DR. GOGAZEH IS  
ALSO ENTRUSTED IN ESTABLISHING THE AMERICAN CORNER AT THE  
UNIVERSITY OF JORDAN IN COLLABORATION WITH THE PUBLIC  
AFFAIRS SECTION OF THE AMERICAN EMBASSY. DR. GOGAZEH  
TEACHES COURSES ON COMPARATIVE LITERATURE, TRANSLATION,  
FRENCH AND SPANISH, ETHNIC LITERATURE FOCUSING ON AMERICAN  
AFRICAN LITERATURE AND GENDER. HE IS WORKING THROUGH HIS  
MEMBERSHIP IN THE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE TO INTRODUCE NEW  
SYLLABI FOR TWO COURSES ON ETHNICITY STUDIES. DR. GOGAZEH  
HAS NEVER BEEN EXPOSED TO THE AMERICAN EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM,  
CULTURE AND SOCIETY. THE PROGRAM WILL GIVE HIM NEW INSIGHTS  
INTO CONTEMPORARY AMERICAN LITERATURE AS WELL AS INTRODUCE  
HIM TO THE DIVERSE CRITICAL AND CULTURAL APPROACHES THAT CAN  
BE APPLIED TO THE STUDY OF CONTEMPORARY AMERICAN LITERATURE.  
IT WILL ALSO WIDEN HIS KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE IN USING  
PIECES OF AMERICAN CULTURE-RELATED LITERATURE AS EXAMPLES IN  
THE TEACHING OF COMPARATIVE LITERATURE AND ANTHOLOGIES. THE  
PROGRAM WILL GIVE HIM THE CHANCE TO COLLECT MATERIALS AND  
INCREASE HIS KNOWLEDGE OF SUBJECT SESSION'S TOPICS WHICH WE  
EXPECT WILL BE REFLECTED IN MATERIALS USED IN HIS TEACHING

AT THE UNIVERSITY OF JORDAN AND DURING HIS FREQUENT SUMMER AFFILIATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SEVILLE, SPAIN. DR. GOGAZEH HAS STUDIED IN EUROPE. AS A RESULT, HE IS INTERESTED IN CONTEMPORARY AMERICAN LITERATURE WHICH WAS AFFECTED BY THE INFLUENCE OF THE SPANISH LITERATURE. HE WOULD LIKE TO PURSUE WRITING AN ARTICLE ON "IMAGE OF SPAIN AND THE SOUTHERN AMERICAN COUNTRIES IN THE CONTEMPORARY AMERICAN LITERATURE." THE PROGRAM WILL GIVE HIM A NEW INSIGHT AND APPRECIATION OF THE IMPORTANCE OF RACE, GENDER, AND ETHNICITY TO CONTEMPORARY AMERICAN LITERATURE. HE IS HOPEFUL TO DEVELOP A RELEVANT CURRICULUM TO TEACH A COURSE ON ETHNICITY AT THE AMERICAN STUDIES PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF JORDAN. THIS IS JORDAN'S FIRST GRADUATE PROGRAM IN AMERICAN STUDIES AND THE FIRST SUCH PROGRAM IN THE REGION. ITS CREATION DERIVES IN LARGE PART FROM PA'S EFFORTS OVER SEVERAL YEARS OF SENDING FACULTY MEMBERS TO THE SUMMER INSTITUTE PROGRAMS. A MAJOR CHALLENGE FOR THE PROGRAM IS TO RECRUIT QUALIFIED FACULTY MEMBERS FOR THE SEVERAL DISCIPLINES THAT THE PROGRAM OFFERS. BY ATTENDING THE PROGRAM, HE WILL HAVE THE CHANCE TO MEET WITH ACADEMICIANS AND COLLEAGUES FROM OTHER COUNTRIES WHICH WILL STIMULATE FUTURE INTERACTION AND COOPERATION AMONG SCHOLARS WORKING FOR THE SAME GOAL. DR. GOGAZEH HAS PARTICIPATED IN SEVERAL CONFERENCE IN JORDAN AND IN SPAIN. DR. GOGAZEH'S PARTICIPATION WILL SUPPORT MPP OBJECTIVES ON "U.S. SOCIETY AND VALUES," AND "PROMOTING AMERICAN STUDIES."

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12. PLEASE ADVISE ACCEPTANCE.  
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